

SUBSTITUTE FOR FORM PTO-1449

U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use several sheets if necessary)

ATTY. DOCKET NO.

008638-06105

SERIAL NO.

10/573,686

APPLICANT

Koetsu SAITO, et al.

FILING DATE

March 27, 2006

GROUP

2834

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

| EXAMINER INITIAL | DOCUMENT NUMBER | DATE | NAME | CORRESPONDENT | DISCUSSED AND CITED IN SPEC? (insert page and line number where cited) |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---|
| | 5 602 718 | 02/1997 | Peszynski | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| | DOCUMENT NUMBER | DATE | COUNTRY | CORRESPONDENT | TRANSLATION? | DISCUSSED AND CITED IN SPEC? (insert page and line number where cited) |
|--|-----------------|---------|---------|---------------|--------------|---|
| | 0 637 470 | 02/1995 | EP | | | |
| | 2000-165995 | 06/2000 | JP | | Abstract | |
| | 10-126889 | 05/1998 | JP | | Abstract | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

DISCUSSED AND CITED IN SPEC?

| | |
|--|--|
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.